

peror Michael, Palaeologus, on the grounds that the latter had blinded the lawful heir to the Byzantine throne. In presenting the historical and theological background to the problems and events that shook the Byzantine Empire from the mid-thirteenth century until the early fourteenth century, he supports the Russian theologian's historical and theological analysis of the subject, especially as far as relations between Church and State were concerned.

Father Meyendorff, for whom I have had the deepest respect and admiration ever since he was my professor, is correct when he writes that J. Sykoutres did not avail himself of Troitskij's work; this is manifest from p. 263, note 5 of Sykoutres' study «Περὶ τὸ σχίσμα τῶν Ἀρσενιατῶν» (= Arsenite Schism), *Ἑλληνικά* 2 (1929), 267-332, 3 (1930), 15-44, 5 (1932), 107-126.

The twelve articles published by I. E. Troitskij in the journal *Hristianskoe Ctenie*, comprising a total of some 550 pages, are here republished with full page-references to the original periodical.

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T. Florinskij, *Južnye Slavjane i Vizantija vo vtoroe četverti XIV veka*, St. Petersburg 1882, Parts I and II, Foreword by Ivan Dujčev, London, Variorum Reprints, 1973, pp. [10+], 111 + 111 + 137 + I + V + 274 + 1.

Il s'agit d'une analyse d'une période cruciale de l'histoire des relations gréco-slaves, de 1204 à la chute de Jean VI Cantacuzène (1347-1354) et d'une importante addition russe aux recherches des savants sur les Slaves du Sud et Byzance.

Rappelons que *Vypusk pervyj* contient (pp. 1-137) la renaissance de l'empire sous les premiers Paléologues; l'étude politico-géographique de la période 1400-1425; et l'ascension et usurpation de Jean VI Cantacuzène (1347-1354). *Vypusk vtoroj* contient (pp. 1-274) les caractéristiques et l'histoire du peuple serbe avant Stefan Dušan (1331-1355), ses ambitions politiques, sa part dans l'agrandissement de la puissance serbe, son rôle dans l'extension de l'influence slave dans les Balkans, au détriment de l'Occident latin.

Le savant bulgare Ivan Dujčev dans son Introduction à l'œuvre de Florinskij (1854-1919) se rapporte à la bibliographie de l'auteur et traite son œuvre dans le contexte de l'histoire des Slaves du Sud et de Byzance en soulignant l'importance de ce travail.

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Constantine Cavarnos, *The Holy Mountain*, Belmont, Massachusetts, Institute for Byzantine and Modern Greek Studies, 1973, pp. xi + 172, hardcover, \$ 6.00.

Anyone familiar with the work of Dr. Constantine Cavarnos knows the prodigious service he has rendered, and continues to render to those interested in and committed to Orthodox Christianity and Byzantine and Modern Greek Studies. His latest book has all the fine characteristics of previous volumes: clarity of written expression, a straightforward, economical style, well ordered organization, and firm grounding in original sources. This is Professor Cavarnos's second book on Mount Athos (*Anchored in God*, originally published